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SUBJECT: TENNECO FIVE

REF: KHARTOUM 799

1. BURTCHAELL'S SOURCES INDICATE TENNECO FIVE HAVE DROPPED OUT OF SIGHT IN LAST 48 HOURS. FOR PREVIOUS TWO WEEKS THEIR MOVEMENTS ON MULES HAD BEEN MONITORED BY VILLAGERS. THE MULES HAVE REPORTEDLY BEEN SEEN IN THE AREA WHERE THE TENNECO FIVE DIAPPEARED. HOWEVER, THE GROUP WAS NOT SEEN WITH MULES.

2. IN LIGHT OF ABOVE UNCERTAINTY OF WHEREABOUTS OF TENNECO FIVE, KARORA RECEPTION TEAM COULD WITHDRAW TO TOKAR.

3. BURCHAELL'S SOURCES ALSO INDICATE GOVGEN IS INCREASING PRESSURE ON VILLAGERS TO MAKE CONTACT WITH ELF AND OBTAIN RELEASE OF TENNECO FIVE. IT IS BETIEVED THAT DUE TO FAMILY TIES ELF WILL NOT BE ABLE TO REFUSE FACE TO FACE REQUEST FOR RELEASE FROM VILLAGE ELDERS.

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4. COMMENT: ACCESSIBILITY TO GOVGEN. ITALIAN CONGEN REPORTED

IN MID-MARCH THAT, SINCE
HIS ARRIVAL IN OCT. 73, HE HAD BEEN
UNABLE TO GET APPOINTMENT TO PAY COURTESY CALL ON GOVGEN. THERE
ARE APPROXIMATELY 3,000 ITALIANS STILL RESIDENT IN ERITREA.
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